



## February 2024

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***CONGRATULATIONS, GEORGE, AND THANK YOU!***

***Vice-President David Crook makes the presentation to retiring President George Barnes***

## North of England show at Barton Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2024

There was much to get through on this the day of the Annual General Meeting and Presentation of Annual Trophies.

In the morning, the Committee gathered for an early meeting which was followed by the judging and then the raffle which, yet again, had some great prizes. Thank you to members who generously donate prizes for the raffle.

### Judging results – Class winners

Class	Plant	Grower	Award
2	Small group	John Gay	1 <sup>st</sup> *
4	Dendrochilum javierense	Leon Skorczewski	1 <sup>st</sup>
5	Coelogyne glandulosa	Trevor Crook	1 <sup>st</sup>
6	Cymbidium Shirley	Chris Burrows	1 <sup>st</sup>
7	Cymbidium Marvin Gaye 'Royale'	Phil Howard	1 <sup>st</sup>
8	Paphiopedilum villosum	Trevor Crook	1 <sup>st</sup>
9	Phragmipedium besseae	Leon Skorczewski	1 <sup>st</sup>
10	Laelia anceps	David Crook	1 <sup>st</sup>
11	Oncidium Col de la Rocque	Antonia Black	1 <sup>st</sup>
12	Colmanara Wildcat	Denys Morten	1 <sup>st</sup>
13	Phalaenopsis stuartiana	David Crook	1 <sup>st</sup>
14	Dendrobium Cassiope	Antonia Black	1 <sup>st</sup>
15	Coelogyne intermedia	Trevor Crook	1 <sup>st</sup>
19	Rhynchostylis gigantea White	Margaret and John Birks	1 <sup>st</sup>
20	Maxillaria chrysantha	Adrian Whitaker	1 <sup>st</sup>
22	Masdevallia yungasensis	David Crook	1 <sup>st</sup>
23	Phalaenopsis hybrid	Chas Field	1 <sup>st</sup>
* Silver Medal			



### Repotting?

If you would like to purchase the Society's medium grade (10-15mm) orchid bark, contact Chris Burrows, tel: 01772 431442 (answerphone)

**Class winners at Barton**



**Class 2. Small group**



**In close-up: *Cattleya percivaliana* 'Summit' FCC/AOS**





**Class 4. *Dendrochilum javierense***

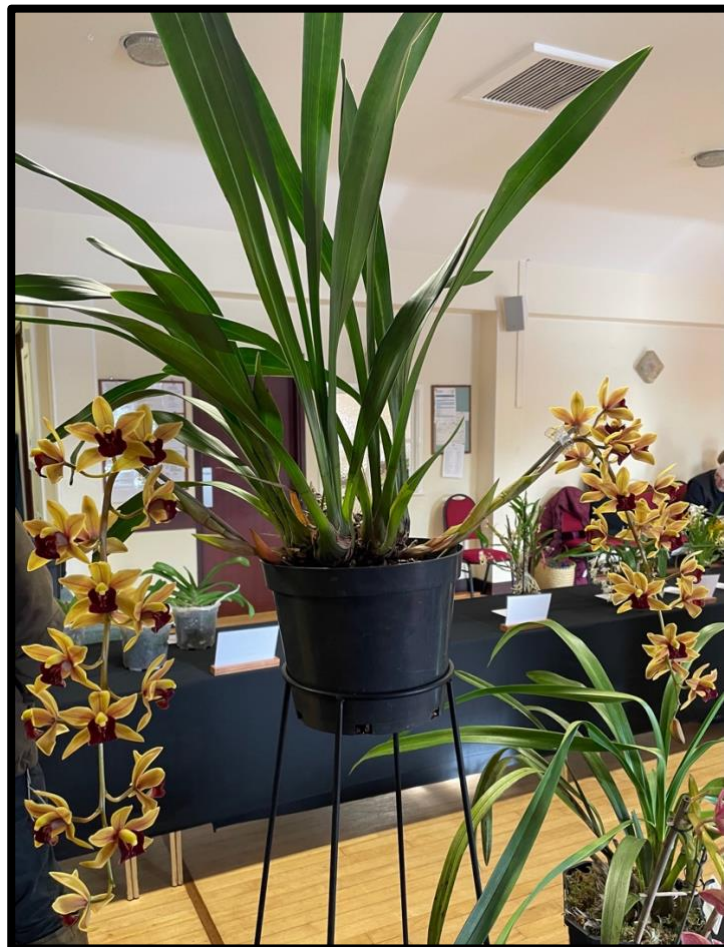


**Class 5. *Coelogyne glandulosa***





**Class 6. Cymbidium Shirley**



**Class 7. Cymbidium Marvin Gaye 'Royale'**

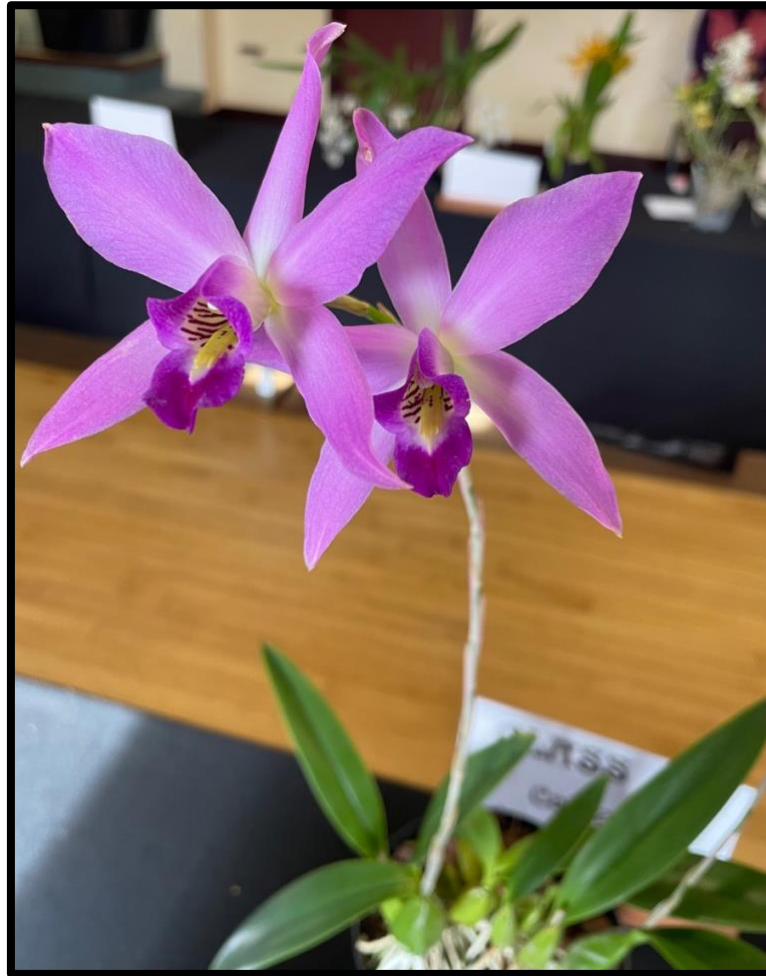


**Class 8. *Paphiopedilum villosum***



**Class 9. *Phragmipedium besseae***





**Class 10. *Laelia anceps***



**Class 11. *Oncidium Col de la Rocque***



**Class 12. Colmanara Wildcat**



**Class 13. Phalaenopsis stuartiana**





**Class 14. *Dendrobium Cassiope***



**Class 15. *Coelogyne intermedia***



**Class 19. *Rhynchostylis gigantea* White.**



**Class 20. *Maxillaria chrysantha***





**Class 22. *Masdevallia yungasensis***



**Class 23. *Phalaenopsis* hybrid**

## A few others...



As usual, much of interest in the Phoenix Orchids display (Silver Medal), including (below) **Paphiopedilum Lai-Roong**, a hybrid registered in 2018. It is a cross between the amazing **Paph rungsurianum**, whose flowers sit above a tiny plant and was only discovered in 2014 in Laos, and **Paph thaianum**.







Ian Eastwood's *Rhynchostylis gigantea*



Jay Dasgupta's *Cymbidium John McCormack*



Philippa Illsley's *Paph lawrenceanum* x *Paph sukhakulii*

## AGM

After lunch, it was the AGM. Firstly, Treasurer Trevor Crook took us through the accounts for the year.

Then, George Barnes gave his President's report on the year gone by and thanked everyone who had contributed to the success of the Society, reminding us not to forget those who work quietly in the background. George informed the meeting that there had been changes to the membership of the Committee. He added that, whilst he was stepping down as President, he would be taking on the new position of Speaker Secretary.

Moving on to the election of Officers, with George retiring, and since one nomination had been received for the post of President, Philippa Illsley was duly elected President. Ian Eastwood was elected Show Secretary.

Vice President David Crook then paid tribute to the retiring President for his dedication and hard work over many years. David added that he and George, working together, had managed to keep the Society going through some difficult times.

To the sound of cheers and applause, David presented George with the engraved glass bowl which is pictured below.





## Annual Trophy Awards

At the end of each year, a trophy and certificate are awarded to the winner of each class, and also to the winner of Group A (highest total of points from all classes entered) and Group B (highest total of points accrued by any members who have never won a class).

The Annice Walkden trophy is awarded to the person who, in the opinion of the committee, has contributed in some way to the Society over the year

As the newly appointed President of the North of England Orchid Society, Philippa presented the trophies. (Please note: Not all winners were available to have their photograph taken.)

Annual Trophy Winners 2023		
Class		Winner
1	A group display of 15 or more orchids, with ferns and foliage	John Gay
2	A group display of not less than 7 or more than 14 orchids, with ferns and foliage	John Gay
3	A group of 6 orchids, with or without ferns and foliage	Phil Howard
4	Orchid species, small, any genera, for plants with a flower diameter not exceeding 1.25 inches	David Crook
5	Orchid species, large, any genera, for plants with a flower diameter of over 1.25 inches	Trevor Crook
6	Standard Cymbidium orchids, species or hybrids	A tie between: Phil Howard, Philippa Illsley, Barry Openshaw, Sheila Yates
7	Miniature Cymbidiums, species or hybrids	Phil Howard
8	Paphiopedilum and related genera, species or hybrids, but excluding Phragmipedium	George Barnes
9	Phragmipedium species or hybrids	Pat Hollins
10	Cattleya and related genera, species or hybrids	David Crook
11	Oncidiinae species and hybrids which do not contain Miltonia, Odontoglossum or Odontioda in their parentage	David Crook
12	Odontoglossum species or hybrids and Odontioda	Phil Howard
13	Phalaenopsis-type species or hybrids	Ian Eastwood
14	Dendrobium species or hybrids	Denys Morten
15	Any other hybrid not covered by any other section i.e. Brassia, Epidendrum, Disa, Pleione etc	Trevor Crook

16	Novice class. Any plant may be entered in this section by anyone who has not previously won any other class	<i>No entries</i>
17	Miltonia and Miltoniopsis, species or hybrids	Trevor Crook
18	Terrestrial orchids, Hardy and Semi-Hardy, from the Northern Hemisphere	Reg Harrison
19	Vandaceous species or hybrids	Denis Morten
20	Intermediate class. Any Member who has won the Junior or Novice Class but not any other class may enter a plant in this section, as well as plants in other classes. 1 entry per member per show only is allowed in this class	<i>No entries</i>
21	Oncidiinae intergeneric hybrids containing Miltonia in their parentage	Philippa Illsley
22	Pleurothallidinae species or hybrids	Trevor Crook
23	Unnamed hybrids	Chas Field
	Group A	Trevor Crook
	Group B	Antonia Black
	The Annice Walkden trophy	Ian Eastwood













Trevor Crook – Most points Group A



Chas Field – Most points Group B



Ian Eastwood receives the Annice Walkden Trophy

## Dates for your diary

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024**

Our society will be staging a display at Sheffield



**Sheffield Orchid Society**  
**Orchid Show**

St. John's Church Hall,  
Abbeydale Road South,  
Sheffield, S17 3LE

Saturday March 2nd  
2024  
10am to 4 pm

**Entry £5**  
**Tickets from Eventbrite**  
**Carnivorous plant display**  
**Amazing displays by seven**  
**different societies**  
**Buy plants from Britain's leading orchid**  
**and house plant vendor - Spiceotics**



*Please support your society by lending your plants for our North of England displays at external shows.*

*The show team will carefully look after your plants and will, if necessary, collect plants from you where possible, but it makes life easier if you could deliver them to one of our addresses or perhaps bring them to the show in time for setting up.*



**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**NEOS Show at Rixton**

Community Hall Rixton with Glazebrook

Hollins Green Warrington. WA3 6JZ

11.00am Judging

2.00pm Presentation.

**Andres Ramos: Orchid Conservation in Mexico**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**Hinckley and District OS Annual Show**

Stoke Golding Club,

Stoke Golding, CV13 6DZ

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**NEOS show at Houghton**

HOGHTON VILLAGE HALL

Blackburn Old Road, Hoghton Nr. Preston

11.00am Judging

2.00pm Presentation.

**NEOS member David Redmore, landscape architect and former head gardener: 'Mabsoot - a garden in a moment in time'**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**NEOS show at Rixton**

Community Hall Rixton with Glazebrook

Hollins Green Warrington. WA3 6JZ

11.00am Judging

2.00pm Presentation

**John Gay: Eric Young Orchid Foundation (Part Two)**



Check our website: <https://www.orchid.org.uk> for details of all the North of England monthly shows and the external shows where we shall be staging a display in 2024.

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Our Instagram is northofenglandorchidsociety

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## And finally...

Our attention is drawn to an event in Liverpool next month. As the poster below states – and as many of our members will already be aware - *“Liverpool has an important place in the ‘Orchidelerium’ or orchid mania which swept Victorian Britain.”*

A poster for a symposium titled 'Orchid Fever'. The background is a solid dark red color. At the top left, the text 'RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR LITERATURE AND CULTURAL HISTORY' is written in white, uppercase letters. At the top right, 'LIVERPOOL BOTANICAL TRUST' is written in white, uppercase letters. In the center, the title 'ORCHID FEVER' is written in a large, white, serif font, with 'ONE-DAY SYMPOSIUM' in a smaller, white, sans-serif font below it. In the middle of the poster is a detailed watercolor illustration of a flowering orchid plant with several pink and white blossoms and green leaves. At the bottom left, the date and time 'SATURDAY 16TH MARCH 10AM-4.30PM' are written in white, uppercase letters. At the bottom right, the location and ticket price 'CROXTTETH HALL PARK TICKETS £15' are written in white, uppercase letters.

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10AM-4.30PM

CROXTTETH HALL PARK  
TICKETS £15

## Orchid Fever: Propagating and Hybridizing Orchids from the Nineteenth Century to the Present

The Liverpool Botanical Trust and LJMU Research Institute for Literature and Cultural History are delighted to announce a symposium focusing on the cultural and scientific history of orchid collections. Liverpool has an important place in the 'Orchidelerium' or orchid mania which swept Victorian Britain.

Our one-day event will be held on Saturday 16th March 2024, 10am-4.30pm at Croxteth Hall, Liverpool.

It will feature keynote talks by orchid expert, author and lecturer, **Philip Seaton** (Secretary of the Orchid Specialist Group) with shorter papers on the history of orchids in the Liverpool Botanic Gardens, orchids in Victorian England, and creative work. There will also be an opportunity to see five new 'Liverpool Orchids'.

The cost of the event is £15 per person and will include refreshments and lunch.

### Register here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/802764218387?aff=oddtcreator>

For enquiries, please contact Dr Kate Walchester, Director of LJMU Research Institute for Literature and Cultural History - [K.A.Walchester@ljmu.ac.uk](mailto:K.A.Walchester@ljmu.ac.uk)

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